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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated May 1, 2003, Paper No. 26, for which a response was due on August 1, 2003. A petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed to extend the deadline to respond to the Office Action until November 1, 2003. As such, this response is timely filed. Please consider entering the following amendments and remarks.